



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT

MOHROR, Robert A.

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Examiner

FOX, David T.

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the communication from the Examiner dated February 11, 2003, a Final Rejection, and an Advisory Action dated June 9, 2003, it is respectfully requested that the following Preliminary Amendment and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) be entered and made of record. It is believed that the following amendments and remarks place the application in the form for allowance, or at least, place the claims in a better form for Appeal. No new matter is presented, as such the Amendment is proper under 35 C.F.R. § 1.116. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.

## **Introductory Comments**

Claims 1-42 are pending in the present application.

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